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## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the Office Action mailed December 9, 2005, be extended one-month from March 9, 2006 to April 9, 2006 by the filing of this Petition and authorization of fee payment.

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## CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 C.F.R. §1.8a)

I hereby certify that this paper (along with any referred to as being attached hereto) is being deposited with the United States Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to *Mail Stop Amendment*, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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The petition fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1) is believed to be \$120.00 for a one-month extension, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee to our Deposit Account No. 08-3038 (referencing Docket No. 02453.0005.NPUS00). However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April <u>4</u>, 2006

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